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## TRIDUUM

In Honor of Father Thome's Silver Jubilee Has Been Planned.

On Easter Sunday Night the Adult Members of Parish Will Entertain.

Real Celebration Will Take Place On Easter Tuesday Morning.

## BISHOP WILL ATTEND CEREMONY

The triduum in honor of the sacerdotal jubilee of the Rev. Father Andrew J. Thome will begin at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening when the adult members of his parish will assemble in St. Vincent de Paul's school hall at Shelby and Kentucky streets. Rev. R. C. Ruff, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's, will make the opening remarks, after which the choir will sing an anthem. Jacob Valter will deliver an address in behalf of the men of the parish, and Mrs. E. Buchert will speak for the married ladies. Miss Mary Zabel will represent the young ladies and girls of the parish. Father Thome, the jubilarian, will deliver the closing address. Between each address the church choir will render selections from Ludwig Wildes, Opus 6. At the close of the reception all will join in singing the "Te Deum."

On Easter Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock the children of St. Vincent de Paul's parish will have their inning. After the junior classes sing a hymn in honor of the jubilarian, Miss Leola Ratterman will deliver an address in German. The juniors and minims will offer congratulations and Master Arthur Kripfenstiel will deliver an address in English. The seniors will sing "Jubilee Bells," and then a pleasing little drama, "Minnie Burton's Secret," will be given. Those who will take part in the drama are Loretta Osterholt, Alvinia Hoefler, Johanna Eberle, P. Herrmann, G. Huber and Edna Merfield. Father A. J. Thome will deliver the closing address. In conclusion the children's choir will sing the "Te Deum."

Easter Tuesday is the real anniversary of Father Thome's ordination. The choir has prepared a special musical programme for the jubilee mass at 10 o'clock. F. X. Arens Mass in "E." "Exultate Deo," will be sung. At the offertory the choir will render "Jubilate Deo," by Father Ignatius Wilkins, O. F. M. The singers will be:

Soprano—Mrs. George Krippenstiel, Misses M. Strubel, G. Niemann, G. Kremer and H. Heckmann. Alto—Misses A. Zaepfel, C. Voigt, T. Werner, J. Heitkemper and Mrs. Joseph Trickler.

Tenors—M. Pfau and A. Schubel. Bass—H. Blumers and J. Schuler. The Right Rev. Bishop O'Donoghue will occupy a throne in the sanctuary. His deacons of honor will be the Very Rev. James P. Cronin, V. G., and Rev. Father B. H. Westerman. Father Thome will celebrate the mass. The Rev. Dr. George W. Schumann and the Rev. Father George Weiss will be deacon and subdeacon respectively, while the Rev. Fathers P. A. J. Berresheim and James Assent will be the first and second masters of ceremony. The sanctuary will be crowded with priests and the church will be appropriately decorated for the occasion.

The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Father Rudolph Charles Ruff, who has been Father Thome's assistant for several years. Father Ruff is well qualified for the task assigned him. He is a Louisville boy, and the term boy is not irrelevant in this sense. So is the reverend jubilarian a Louisville boy, and Fathers Schumann and Weiss are Louisville boys. The three latter were born and received their early schooling in St. Mary's parish. They were schoolmates more than thirty years ago and are still maintaining the friendship of boyhood days. Father Ruff is a native of Louisville and was born in St. Martin's parish.

## SACERDOTAL JUBILEE.

The Rev. Father John Henry Hillebrand, pastor of St. Boniface church, Evansville, will celebrate his silver sacerdotal jubilee on June 29. He was born in Newport, Ky. After his ordination he was on rural missions in various parts of Southern Indiana. While at St. Mary's of the Knobs, Father Hillebrand became acquainted with many Louisville people and is held in high esteem here. His silver jubilee will be made noteworthy by the priests and people of Evansville.

## NEW ALBANY KNIGHTS.

New Albany Council, Knights of Columbus, will initiate a class of thirty-five candidates on Sunday, April 16, at Louisville, Jeffersonville, and other towns. The officers will send representative

Knights to the initiation. The new and old Knights will assemble that morning for high mass at Holy Trinity church. After luncheon the three degrees will be received. Now Albany Knights have made all arrangements to entertain visitors. William J. Receveur, the Grand Knight; Edward Tighe, the Deputy Grand Knight; and John K. Lammon, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, are making all the necessary plans for the entertainment of guests.

## GOOD RESULTS

Bound to Come From Visit of Supreme President Leonard.

Frank P. Leonard, Supreme President of the Catholic Knights and Ladies of America, was the guest of members of that order in Louisville last Sunday. He was given a warm welcome by all and more particularly by those who had met him before.

Mr. Leonard is on a tour of the various States wherein his order flourishes and is accomplishing much in building up the body of which he is the supreme head. Mr. Leonard reached Louisville from St. Louis on Saturday evening and left Monday night.

On his arrival last Saturday he was met at the railroad station by a reception committee of local members of his order. On Sunday afternoon he was the guest of John J. Score, Chairman of Louisville's Central Committee, who entertained him in his honor at his home, 1043 South Sixth street. Mrs. Score united with her husband in doing the honors and provided a very substantial buffet luncheon. The members of the Central Committee were present in a body. Mr. Leonard, Mr. Score and several other members of the order made short and interesting talks.

In the evening there was a general meeting of the Catholic Knights and Ladies of America at St. Anthony's Hall, Twenty-third and Market streets. More than 400 were in attendance. J. J. Score, Chairman of the Central Committee, presided and introduced Supreme President Leonard.

Mr. Leonard spoke of the upbuilding of the order and told of the great good it had accomplished already in protecting the orphans, the widows and the bereaved husbands. His talk created enthusiasm and will result in great good.

On Monday the Reception Committee, which was composed of Andrew Kast, Stephen J. McElliot, Edward A. Barrett, Emory A. Schaefer and A. A. Schmitt, took President Leonard out for an automobile ride. Cherokee Park, St. Matthews, Taylor boulevard, Jacob and Shawnee Parks, Limerick and Portland were among the localities shown Supreme President Leonard. After the ride he was regaled with a luncheon at the Seelbach. In departing Monday evening Mr. Leonard said he had never been more courteously treated on his travels.

## COUNTY BOARD

Of the A. O. H. Is Preparing For Big Summer Picnic.

The County Board, A. O. H., met in regular session at Bertrand Hall on Thursday night of last week. County President Joe Lynch called the meeting to order. Several weeks previously Mr. Lynch had forwarded his resignation to the County Board, but he was not present at the meeting last week, so Mr. Lynch resigned orally during the evening. The final report of the St. Patrick's day committee was read. It showed that the entertainment had been successful numerically, financially and from a musical standpoint. A rising vote of thanks was given those artists who had assisted in making the event enjoyable.

The County Board deemed it wise to give a Hibernian picnic during the coming summer, and to that end appointed the following committee to arrange the place and date: Thomas Lawler, Con J. Ford, John Hession, John J. Barry and D. J. Coleman.

County President Lynch announced that on account of other duties he was compelled to resign and he thanked the members for their courtesies during his brief tenure. County Vice President D. J. Coleman thereupon assumed the chair and carried on the business of the evening. On account of a conflict in the wording of two sections of the constitution of the order an earnest but good-humored argument arose as to whether Mr. Coleman will continue to be the President of the County Board for two years or whether the board has a right to elect his successor. The matter was laid over to the next regular meeting. In all probability Mr. Coleman will be declared the County President and a new County Vice President will have to be elected in his stead.

## VICTIM OF ACCIDENT.

Great sympathy is felt for John M. Ahern over the death of his little son, William Maurice Ahern, who died at St. Anthony's Hospital on Friday of last week. On Wednesday he fell beneath a cut of freight cars in the railroad yards and sustained injuries that made amputation of one of his legs necessary. Death resulted from the loss of blood. Besides his father the child is survived by a sister, Mrs. Maggie L. Grogan, and two brothers, James and John Ahern. The funeral took place from St. Michael's church on Monday morning.

## SHAME

Will Come Upon the Irish-Americans If They Back O'Sullivan's Opinion.

Wanton Attack Upon Useful Citizens Made by Former Editor.

Master of Blackguardism Dares to Assault Men of Better Reputation.

## STORY OF BASE INGRATITUDE

Daniel E. O'Sullivan, the erstwhile editor of the Critic and of the later O'Sullivan's Opinion, went out of his way last week to attack the Whalens. It was not a physical attack. It was one of those long-distance ambush affairs, via the columns of a newspaper. Mr. O'Sullivan is noted for dipping his pen into vitriol when he writes and he has been writing for more than twenty years. He has some gifts. He has mentality. He has read some books. He has circulated in society in Louisville and elsewhere in the State and country. He came of honest parents. They gave Daniel every possible educational advantage. Yet he has been tried and found wanting in every stage of his life. He has no sense of gratitude. The ingrate is worse than the man who kills in the heat of passion.

Just as charity is the greatest of all virtues, so is ingratitude the worst of vices. Give a dog a bone and he will be your friend. Not so with Dan.

In his card of Friday, April 4, as published in the Louisville Herald, Mr. O'Sullivan attacked the Messrs. John and James Whallen for retiring from politics. The Messrs. Whallen had never done him any harm. He called upon them to have all the city and county office-holders in Louisville to retire that he might find a place to roost. Of course Dan wants a nice fat salary with his roosting place.

Mr. O'Sullivan was a member of the Board of Public Safety from 1893 to 1897 at a salary of \$2,700 a year. That makes \$10,800 for the term. In 1897 a new Mayor of Louisville was elected and he did not want Mr. O'Sullivan for part of his cabinet. Mr. O'Sullivan thereupon fathered the "ripper" bill that went before the Kentucky Legislature. It was a measure intended to do away with both the Boards of Public Safety and Public Works and City Buyer. He posed as a reformer. He was never in the also ran class of reformers while he was holding office.

In 1893, when there was talk of Mr. O'Sullivan resigning from the Board of Public Safety because he had been criticised in the newspapers, he said to a newspaper interviewer:

"You could not shoot me far enough away with a cannon that I won't come back for that \$2,700 a year. No! I won't resign."

Mr. O'Sullivan has started this new argument by attacking the Messrs. Whallen. Does he want all the Democratic office-holders to quit or just those office-holders who are Irish Catholics? You remember what he said in O'Sullivan's Opinion in 1895.

Mr. O'Sullivan held the office of Assistant City Attorney under Mayor Grainger and he drew \$2,000 a year for four years. That makes \$8,000 more that he drew from the taxpayers of Louisville. In eight years he got \$18,800 of the people's money and refused to support the people that fed him because they were on the Head ticket. Now he wants Mayor Head and others to resign to give him a place and a salary.

It is well known that O'Sullivan's Opinion was edited but not owned by Dan. It was financed by the local Republican campaign committee. Mr. O'Sullivan was never particular where the coin came from as long as it was forthcoming. He drew \$10,800 from the Democratic party and then put up a fight that cost the Democrats \$4,000 to defeat the "ripper" bill. He enjoyed four years of office as Assistant City Attorney, switched to the Republican side, was lost in the shuffle and still sticks because he was not retained in office.

Mr. Loeb, now Collector of the Port of New York and formerly ex-President Roosevelt's Private Secretary, was accosted by an interviewer who wants to know if he were a Jew.

"I am not," replied Mr. Loeb, "but if I were a Jew I would be proud of it. I would not be a renegade."

If an interviewer were to ask Mr. O'Sullivan "Are you an Irish-American?" what answer could he make? He has been untrue to his faith, to his people, to his party, to his best friends. He has been true to nothing. He has not even been true to himself.

Mr. O'Sullivan also attacked the Democratic City and County Committee. Why nobody knows. If you want a tried and true friend, a man who will stick in adversity as well as in prosperity, would you prefer Daniel E. O'Sullivan to George Heller, Herman Gucke, John J. Barry, Robert Hagan, Joseph Overberg, Theodore McCarty or John L. Gruber? Not on your life.

## TRINITY BOYS

Have Undertaken Ambitious Field in Producing Pretty Opera.

When Trinity Y. M. C. Musical Club selected Willard Spencer's celebrated comic opera, "Princess Bonnie," they made no mistake for



MISS EFFIE McDONALD, Who Will Appear as Princess Bonnie.

their first venture into the operatic field, for among all the comic operas it is pronounced that there is none that contains more charming melodies or that can boast of such sparkling dialogue, and probably no work of this class can compare with "Princess Bonnie" for opportunities in the way of staging. This part of the work has been given most careful attention by P. Wellington Hager, and nothing will be left undone to make this opera the best staged production seen in this city.

A splendid cast and chorus has been at work for several weeks, and have practically reached the stage of perfection. The brilliant solo and chorus work has appealed to all who are to take part and the manner in which these grand old melodies are sung by the large ensemble would give credit to professionals. Prof. Leo A. Schmitt, who has trained the cast and chorus in the musical part of the opera, has several previous operatic successes to his credit, and was assisted in the stage work by Mr. Hager. They directed such works as "Mikado," "El Capitán" and "The Mocking Bird."

Some of the singers who appeared in "The Mocking Bird" will again be heard in "Princess Bonnie," and no doubt their many friends will be delighted to see them in this more ambitious work, which will be given at Macaulay's on April 24, 25 and 26.

## NO SABE.

John Winn Understands Mexico But Balks at Mexicans.

John Winn, a very earnest and active member of Division 4, A. O. H., has returned to Louisville after an absence of five months. During this time he was occupied in commercial pursuits in Juarez, Mexico, and El Paso, Texas. He has a wonderful fund of information about the Mexicans. It is what the sports would call "feed-box" information. Mr. Winn does not mind words in telling what he thinks of the Mexicans. He says there are two classes, the very rich and the very poor. There are no people of the middle class. The people are devout in church, courteous to the visitor from America, but one can depend that the Mexican is arranging to fleece him.

Mr. Winn is in love with the dry climate, the exhilarating atmosphere, the magnificent sunsets and beautiful scenery. However, he has no love for the Federal soldiers of Mexico, the rurales, as they are called. Mexico has no regular army. Her soldiers are convicts who have the alternative of serving a prison term or becoming a patriot. Most of them prefer to be patriots. They are sent into Mexican cities, marched up ladders to the roofs of cathedrals, arsenals or Government buildings. The ladders are removed and the rurales, unable to run or fly, must remain to be patriots.

Women and children are following both armies, Federals and Insurrectos. They are a starved, destitute set. Mr. Winn expects to go back to Mexico next year and inaugurate a Hibernian colony.

## TRIBUTE TO IRISHMEN.

The editor of the New York World on last Sunday said: "Of twenty-four medals awarded by the Fire department in this city for gallant or meritorious conduct, fifteen go to men with obviously Irish names and several others to men of probably Irish extraction. The sons of the old race do not lose their quality on the new."

## SEMINARY COLLECTION.

The collection to be taken up tomorrow in all of the churches will be for the support of the seminarians of the Louisville diocese. This is the only source from which assistance is derived for those striving to reach God's altar, and therefore all Catholics should contribute as liberally as their means will allow.

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## EVERYBODY

Is Preparing to Boost Big Bazaar For Father Raffo's Church.

New St. Charles Borromeo Edifice Will Not Lack Support.

Beloved Pastor Will Find Old Friends Rallying at Call.

## HOT OF ABLE COMMITTEEMEN

There is to be a big bazaar for the benefit of the new church of St. Charles Borromeo, Twenty-seventh and Chestnut streets, at Liederkranz Hall, Sixth and Walnut streets, on the afternoons and evenings of April 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29. Dinner will be served daily from 11 until 2 o'clock and supper from 5 until 7. And a substantial meal is promised for each occasion. Numerous handsome gifts have been made toward the bazaar. The personality of the pastor of St. Charles Borromeo will make it a success.

No man in Louisville is held in higher esteem than the Rev. Father Charles P. Raffo. He is esteemed as a citizen, as a neighbor, as a man of public spirit and as a minister of God. No person ever appealed to Father Raffo for advice and was refused. Neither did any worthy charity appeal to him in vain.

Father Raffo is particularly dear to Louisville. Like most of the rest of us, he was the son of immigrant parents. He inherited a sunny heart from sunny Italy, but he has set a pace for American citizens no matter what their calling. Now, recently, but not irreverently, he used to play baseball. He was the best amateur pitcher in Louisville. "Pete" Raffo was in demand on all occasions. He played the game as he served his God—with his whole mind, with his whole soul and with all his strength.

Now as a priest for more than twenty-five years Father Raffo retains his dignity as a minister of the gospel without losing interest in the game of baseball. He believes in good, clean, athletic sport and he believes that the great American game of baseball is the cleanest sport for the American people. He is still fond of the game and is considered a first class fan.

During the past fifteen years Father Raffo has not appealed to his people for anything aside from ordinary collections. It is due him now to give his solicitors courteous treatment. The new church is not for Father Raffo. It is to be the house of God. It will be the shrine of his congregation long after he will have passed away. His Irish friends, his German and American friends wish his "buenos fortuna."

Father Raffo has a loyal crowd of parishioners. To them he is the "Soggarth Aaron," the priest of their hearts. Charles J. O'Connor is Chairman of the Executive Committee arranging for the bazaar. Thomas W. Tarpey is the Vice Chairman. Lee R. Yates is Secretary, George H. Nabor is Treasurer, Jacob Huber is Floor Manager. The other members of the committee are Dr. Peter S. Gant, James P. Whallen, James L. Hackett and S. M. Raffo. These gentlemen are to be the hinges upon which success depends. They are all right.

Then there are other committees and committeemen. John Murphy will have charge of the door. Edward T. Tierney will be Chairman of the body that entertains and Dr. Bernard J. O'Connor will see that the bazaar gets the proper press notices. There are wheels within wheels and John H. Coleman and Andy Kasd will see that the wheels go occasionally or oftener. Mrs. Thomas W. Tarpey, Mrs. Mary O'Neill, Mrs. P. Graff, Mrs. J. M. Neban and Miss Mayme McSteen are to be chair-ladies of the dining room. They will have a coterie of forty or more assistants. Miss Maggie Gordon will head the Refreshment Committee. Mrs. P. S. Gant will have charge of the linen booth, and there will be a candy and fish pond in charge of Miss B. Small. Other numerous attractions are now being arranged. Everybody is preparing to boost the bazaar. Father Raffo has friends among all classes, creeds and races. None of them will forget him in the hour of need.

## ALL CREEDS SUBSCRIBE.

The Right Rev. Owen B. Corrigan, Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore, who is Treasurer of the funds being raised to erect the Cardinal Gibbons Memorial Hall at Washington, has announced that subscriptions are coming in at a satisfactory rate. Thus far \$30,000 has been subscribed. The estimated cost of the memorial building is \$250,000. People of all creeds are among the contributors. It is not believed that any difficulty will be experienced in raising the required sum.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY.

The Holy Name Society of St. Louis Bertrand church has assumed such large proportions that both sides of the middle aisle were filled when the members approached

holy communion at the 6 o'clock mass last Sunday morning. Besides there was an overflow into the side aisles. There were more than 250 men in the line that approached the sacrament. The Rev. Father Doyle, Spiritual Adviser of the society, celebrated the mass and was assisted in administering communion by the Very Rev. Father J. R. Clark, O. P. Father Doyle commented favorably on the edifying sight of so many men from one parish at the holy table and all honoring the Holy Name of Jesus.

## YOUNG MAN

Held the Reins and Drove Like a Veteran Whip.

When the President and First Vice President of Mackin Council failed to appear at the appointed time last Monday night Second Vice President E. C. Link promptly called the meeting to order, thus showing that he was alive. President Robertson's spirit of being Johnny-on-the-spot when the clock struck eight. He is one of the younger set, and while he presided he set a pace in transacting business. The attendance was good. Three applications were received and several members were elected.

President Samuel L. Robertson was late in arriving, but assumed the reins as soon as he appeared. He complimented the members for the good showing made at the Easter holy communion at St. Charles Borromeo church last Sunday. The date of the next initiation was changed from May 7 to May 14 in order not to conflict with the initiation at Lexington, and a special committee was appointed to arouse interest in an excursion to the Bluegrass Capital on that day. M. J. Carroll, who recently submitted to an operation in Chicago, is still on the sick list. The Opera Committee reported progress and that several rehearsals were being held each week.

President Robertson instructed a committee to have an adequate number of postal cards printed to notify every member of the council that Mackin had been selected by Father Francis Felten to act as a special escort to the Most Rev. Archbishop Spalding and the Right Rev. Bishop O'Donoghue on the occasion of the cornerstone laying of the new St. Augustine's church on the afternoon of Sunday, April 23. The members are expected to assemble that afternoon at the club house at 1:45 o'clock, where they will board cars and be carried to Twelfth and Broadway, where the line of march will be formed.

Mackin Council made a splendid showing at St. Charles Borromeo church last Sunday morning, when between 100 and 200 young men approached holy communion. Rev. Father Charles P. Raffo made a brief address to them in his sermon and complimented them for their Catholic spirit and edifying conduct.

## GLAD DAYS

At Evansville During Forty Hours Prayer at St. Boniface.

St. Boniface church, Evansville, Ind., was bedecked with flowers and ablaze with lights last Sunday when the Forty Hours' devotion closed. The Rev. Father Hillebrand, pastor of the church, is well known in Louisville, and both Kentucky and Indiana priests rallied to his support. Father Hillebrand left nothing undone to draw the people in vast numbers to this devotion in honor of our Lord in the Holy Eucharist. Practically the entire congregation and hundreds from other parts of the city availed themselves of the opportunity of gaining the indulgences attached to this devotion on one of the three days.

St. Boniface is a beautiful church ornamented with stucco, fresco, altars, statuary, art stained glass and illuminated by myriads of electric lights. At the closing ceremony the sanctuary became a place of scenic beauty and flowery magnificence. In the final procession last Sunday Father Hillebrand carried the Sacred Host. He was preceded by a score of clergy and sixty acolytes. More than 300 children decked in flowers and bright garments also took part. Among the clergy in the procession were the Rev. Fathers Deekman, Hilger, Schott, P. Augustine, O. S. B., Froelich, C. S. S. R., Vollmer, Busald, Unterreimeler, Fitzpatrick, Schollenberger, Jocham, Wolff, Loesch, Luchermann, Schmitz, Cunningham, O'Hare, Walter and Quack. A solemn benediction followed the procession and the devotions closed with all singing "Holy God! We Praise Thy Name."

After the services the reverend fathers repaired to the rectory, where Father Hillebrand's sister, Miss Katherine, had provided a bounteous luncheon.

## THIRDS NEW LINE.

Robert C. McBride, a well known young gentleman of this city, has embarked in the fire insurance business and is associated with J. W. Beilstein & Co., with offices in the Columbia building. Mr. McBride is the son of the late Owen McBride, who for thirty-eight years was engaged in the fire insurance business in Louisville. Like his father, Robert McBride, has a faculty for making friends and keeping them. His success in his new undertaking is already assured.

## KNIGHTS GETTING BUSY.

The entertainment committee of Frankfort Council of the Knights of Columbus has announced another series of dances, dances and musicals for immediately after Easter. Although the council is the youngest social and fraternal organization in Frankfort it has demonstrated that it has more than one live wire in its membership. The first post-Easter entertainment will be exclusively for Frankfort Knights and the ladies who made recent initiation banquet such a success.

## HOODLUM

Element in House of Lords Has Shorn Balfour of His Power.

Triumvirate of Incompetents Ruled the Roost in Later Sittings.

Silence On Part of the Ministry Only Served to Exasperate Radicals.

## INSULT WAS OFFERED PREMIER

The British Parliament has adjourned for its Easter vacation, but the veto bill will come up for a long, hard fight as soon as the sessions are resumed. Three young Tory members have wrested the leadership from Balfour. This Tory triumvirate is made up of Lord Hugh Cecil, Lord Castlereagh and Lord Helmsley. During the last few days before Parliament adjourned these three imparted the fiercest bitterness to the debate. Unable to defend the House of Lords, they assailed one of the night debates Lord Hugh Cecil said:

"I wish I could persuade the newspapers to tell the exact truth about the House of Commons: to exactly describe its workings to the public; to tell that its members do not listen to debate but vote, on the orders of the party whips, exactly as they are told to vote. This House is not a deliberative assembly," Lord Hugh continued acridly. "If you judge it by these things you must say it is a corrupt assembly, for it is influenced largely by indirect not by direct motives."

Arthur Balfour himself took up the defense of the Commons against these expressions and soundly rated his cousin, Lord Hugh. Winston Churchill replied to Lord Hugh's charges that the House is corrupt by saying icily that the only specific accusation of corruption brought forward in his memory was a motion submitted which complained of the excessive number of members of the Cecil family who had been appointed to office.

"In the absence of Mr. Asquith, we have to tolerate the vicious insolence of a deputy," retorted Lord Hugh.

At this juncture he also hurled insult across the House of Commons. In insolent tones he asked: "Is the Prime Minister still dining?"

In England the question is equivalent to asking "Is Mr. Asquith drunk?"

On the division that followed eighty-four of the Lords followed Cecil and his companions into the lobby—one-third of the Tory party voting against Balfour.

The excitement in the lobby was intense. Unprecedented violence was offered to William Clough, a Radical member from Yorkshire. Mr. Clough was very recently defendant in a political libel action, during which he gave testimony in scathing language entirely inconsistent with his acts. The Tories gathered in a solid mass awaiting Clough's exit from the division lobby. When they espied him they "booed," jeered him and pushed him. The Liberals' hats were knocked off, the younger members of the rival parties got into scrimmages and for a moment it looked as if there would be a free fight. When all the members had returned to the House Winston Churchill angrily complained to the Speaker of the "gross organized insult" to Mr. Clough. The Speaker rebuked the Tories.

All this means that the hoodlum element of the Lords is in the ascendant. Lord Cecil has a medium of ability and room for much more. He is high strung; possesses a bitter tongue, and is woefully indignant. Lord Helmsley is fat, florid and choleric. Sometimes he is in a good humor, but is more often in a passion. Lord Castlereagh is a type of the unportable British aristocrat. He has been cultured as much as possible, but it seems that nature dealt him out a short weight of brains.

Premier Asquith is suffering from a severe cold and all the other Cabinet Ministers refuse to answer questions. It was this apparent conspiracy of silence that helped to annoy and exasperate the Tory hoodlum triumvirate last week. When the Government is convinced that the Tories have given a sufficient indication to the country that filibustering is their settled policy Premier Asquith will come down with a drastic closure and will force the veto bill through rapidly and mercifully.

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